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Subject: Proposed Revisions: Redline Version. TEXT OF PROPOSED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Please revise 20122 (3) (g)

which currently reads "The manual tally shall be conducted in public view by hand without the use of electronic scanning equipment."

Consider changing to "The manual tally shall be conducted in public view by hand and shall be a count of the the human-eye-readable text of paper ballots or vvpap records. It shall not be an electronic scanning of the bar codes:"

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Background: (g) was intended to prevent using a hand held electronic scanning of the barcodes on the ballots as a substitute for the required manual tally. This language was drafted prior to development of the Humboldt County Election Transparency Project (ETP), which involves using an off-the-shelf scanner to scan and then display publicly (on a website and via dvd) images of all the ballots in all contests. Item (g) could be misinterpreted as forbidding the ETP.

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